

## WHAT JESUS SAYS ABOUT THE BIBLE

Luke 24:27

John 5:39-40

Matthew 5:17-20

### Awareness

Before listening, reflect:

- How do you evaluate a source (like a newspaper or book) to decide whether it's credible? What factors do you consider?
- Have you ever felt the need to prove the Bible is truly the word of God and not just a book created by humans?

As believers it can be easy to take our belief and trust in the Bible for granted until someone asks us “how do you know the Bible is true?” We might be tempted to first look for facts and proof in historical documents, but let's begin instead with our Lord Jesus Christ and see what he says about the truthfulness and credibility of scripture.

**Listen:** [\*What Jesus Says about the Bible\*](#)

### Reflection

After listening, consider:

- Why is Jesus' distinction between “abolish” and “fulfill” in Matthew 5:17 important?
- In segment 1, hosts Dave Bast and Scott Hoezee discuss how Jesus loved the Bible, lived the Bible, and obeyed the Bible. How does this reality confirm that it's a book whose contents can be trusted? Can you identify examples of biblical passages that exemplify how Jesus loved, lived, and obeyed God's word?
- At the end of segment 2, Dave observes that Jesus seems to be warning the Pharisees not to miss the main point (Jesus!) of the scriptures they study so thoroughly. Consider your own study of scripture. When are you most challenged to remember that Jesus is the main point of all scripture? What can you do to remind yourself to ask “how does this point to Jesus?” about each Bible passage you read?
- Why does or why should Jesus' belief and treatment of the Bible impact your belief about the truthfulness and credibility of the Bible?

### Related Passages

- **Luke 2:41-52**
- **Luke 4:1-13/Matthew 4:1-11**
- **Matthew 12:1-14**

- **Acts 2:14-41**

## **Conclusion**

Are there aspects, passages, or stories of the Bible that you find difficult to believe? Spend some significant time in prayer. Pray over the passages you find difficult to believe and ask to understand them in light of Jesus. Pray that the Holy Spirit would reveal their truth to you as clearly as if Jesus was explaining them to you while walking down Emmaus road. Pray also that, with the help of the Holy Spirit, Christ's righteousness through you would be evidence of the Bible's truth for those in your life who might be questioning the veracity of the Holy Bible.

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